Weekly Status & Information Report: Week of July 5, 2005

- 1. **Library Grant:** The Library has been given a \$500 grant from the Washington Redskins for summer programming, and also a \$1000 donation from children's book author Katherine Patterson in memory of Gene Namovicz. (*Library*)
- 2. **Second Quarter Tree Permit Counts:** (See attached table) (City Arborist)
- 3. Carroll Avenue Streetscape Project (Wards 1 & 3): The City has received all of the required permits. Construction will begin on Monday. Excavation will begin on Tuesday. Pedestrians will be restricted from areas of the sidewalk under construction. (Housing and Community Development)
- 4. **Independence Day Parade:** Police report no significant problems associated with the Independence Day parade and fireworks display. Two lost children were located during the evening events, which was reported to have one of the largest crowd of spectators in recent years. (*Police*)
- 5. **Crime Blotter (All Wards):** Among arrests this week were: a shoplifting suspect (Ward 6), a 20 year old Silver Spring man for possession of marijuana (Ward 5) and a 33 year old city resident for driving under the influence (Wards 2/5). More than 60 percent of traffic stops resulted in citations, with enforcement conducted on New Hampshire, University, Hwy. 410, Flower, Carroll, Piney Branch, Maple, Jackson & Boyd, Prince George's & Elm, Lockney & Kennewick, and Ritchie. *(Police)*
- 6. **Sad News:** Annie Cotton, who served for more than 10 years as a school crossing guard, passed away Monday evening after a brief illness. A visitation is scheduled for 10 a.m., with funeral service at 11 a.m., on Saturday, July 9 at the New Bethel Church of God and Christ, 6440 Piney Branch Road. (*Police*)
- 7. **Other Police News:** Sgt. Mark Hammond returned to full duty Thursday after recovering for an injury sustained in an arrest in April. Ofc. Stanley Barsch resigned to take a position with the Annapolis Police Department. (*Police*)
- 8. **Facility Plan:** Action on the Takoma-Piney Branch Park Facility Plan, scheduled for the Planning Board on Thursday, July 7, was postponed. (The Planning Board spent ten hours discussing the Clarksburg development problem instead.) The park item will be rescheduled for later this month. (Community & Government Liaison)
- 9. **Newsletter Editor:** Virginia Myers Kelly (Ginny Kelly) of Takoma Park has accepted the position as the Newsletter Editor, replacing Bog Guldin. *(Deputy City Manager)*

Second Quarter Tree Permit Counts:

Tree Permit Applications	04/01/05-06/30/05 Second Quarter	Year to Date
Applications Received	75	151
Permits (# of Trees)	51	93
Waivers (# of Trees)	54	73
Emergency Waivers Received	5	11
Denials (# of Trees)	5	14
Tree Protection Plans	13	21

(City Arborist)